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In re Patent Application of

Serial No. 10/516,336

Filed: April 13, 2005

Title:

SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY ELEMENT AND LIFETIME OPERATION STARTING

APPARATUS THEREFOR

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the office action dated September 25, 2006, please amend the subject patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2. Remarks begin on page 13.